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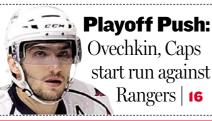
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PUPPY LOVE: With President Obama watching, Sasha Obama runs with Bo, the family's new Portuguese water dog, during the dog's public debut at the White House on Tuesday. The president lived up to his election-year promise of a new family puppy with Bo, an energetic dog Obama said has "star quality."

Shift Seen in Drug Offenses

Report: Number of blacks jailed for narcotics falls sharply

For the first time since crack cocaine sparked a war on drugs 20 years ago, the number of black Americans in state prisons for drug offenses has fallen sharply, while the number of white prisoners convicted for drug crimes has increased, according to a report released Tuesday.

The D.C.-based Sentencing Project reported that the number of black inmates in state prisons for drug offenses had fallen from 145,000 in 1999 to 113,500 in 2005, a 21.6 percent decline. Over the same period, the number of white drug offenders rose steadily, from 50,700 to more than 72,300, a 42.6 percent increase. The number of Latino drug offenders was virtually unchanged at about 51,000.

The findings represent a significant shift in the racial makeup of those incarcerated for drugs and could signal a gradual change in the demographics of the nation's prison population of 2 million, which has been disproportionately black for decades. Drug offenders make up about a quarter of the overall prison population.

The report and other experts said the numbers could reflect two factors: an increased reliance by prosecutors and judges on prison alternatives such as drug courts, and a shift in police focus to methamphetamines, which are used and distributed mostly by white Ameri-Cans. DARRYL FEARS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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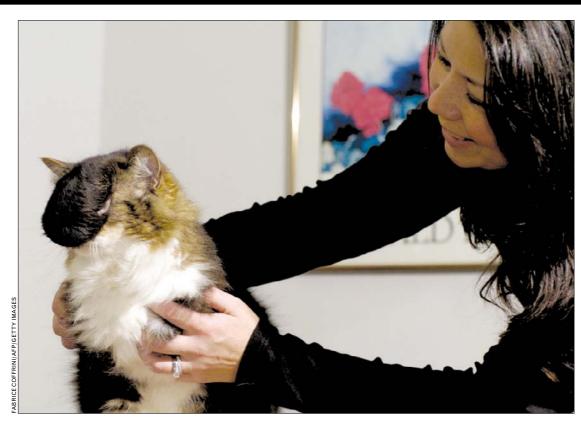
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HAZARDS 'Deafening Children At Play' Sign Posted

A San Antonio homeowner called police on his neighbor — an elementary school. Principal Terry LeBleu has a May court date for a noise citation after a man complained that an event was too loud, a newspaper reported Tuesday. The school has built a fence and installed noise-reducing backing on basketball backboards in response to the man, who said "police, fire, ambulances and the [Air Force] training jets are not unreasonable, but the noise coming from the elementary school was." (AP)

METRO 'Is That Your Child?' Campaign Launched

Authorities say a 5-year-old boy slipped onto a New York City subway alone and rode for 34 stops from one end of Manhattan to the other before being intercepted. Samuel Sosa has been reunited with his mother, unharmed, after his hourlong transit odyssey Monday. His mother calls authorities' response "good and fast." (AP)



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Cat Sports Ultimate Combover

A stray cat brought to a shelter in Salem, Ore., is causing a flap. The Willamette Humane Society says it's never seen anything like the approximately 1-inch wide by 3-inch long fatty tissue pouch that grows out of the cat's head, droops down and completely covers his face. The flap is possibly an old abscess. Staff have dubbed the cat "the Donald," since the growth resembles the hairstyle worn by billionaire Donald Trump. "He's a normal cat, aside from that funky flap," staffer Kara Kuh told the Statesman Journal newspaper. (AP/EXPRESS)

RHYMES WITH 'FEUD' Lewd, Crude, Rude and Nude

A Piqua, Ohio, woman is serving 60 days in jail because she ordered adult magazines in a neighbor's name during a feud. Police said the 47-year-old woman told authorities she wanted payback after being charged with a misdemeanor because of a complaint made by the other woman. The

neighbor told police she was billed hundreds of dollars for magazines such as Playboy and Hustler. The woman pleaded no contest to felonious tampering with records and has been in jail since her March 16 conviction. Her lawyers have asked a judge to suspend the rest of the sentence. (AP)

Officer Finally Meets Month's Arrest Quota

A woman accused of picking daffodils on city property in Centralia, Wash., was arrested last week. After a complaint call, an officer found the woman at a hospital. She had picked the flowers for a patient. Police said the woman was arrested after she became rude and threw the flowers at the officer. (AP)



Nation

President: 'Times Are Still Tough'

Obama says there are early signs of recovery in troubled economy

WASHINGTON | Aiming to assert control over the nation's economic debate, President Obama on Tuesday warned Americans eager for

> good news that "by no means

are we out of the woods" and

argued his broad domestic agen-

da is the path to

recovery.



Obama

In a speech at Georgetown University, Obama aimed to juggle his recent glasshalf-full takes on the economy with a determination to not be stamped as naive in the face lingering problems.

"There is no doubt that times are still tough," Obama said. "But from where we stand, for the very first time, we are beginning to see glimmers of hope. And beyond that, way off in the distance, we can see a vision of an America's future that is far different than our troubled economic past." LIZ SIDOTI (AP)

Deportation of Alleged Nazi Halted

CLEVELAND | The return of alleged Nazi death camp guard John Demjanjuk to Germany for trial on war crimes was delayed again Tuesday by a federal court, shortly after six immigration officers removed the retired autoworker from his suburban Cleveland home in a wheelchair.

from his Ohio home

He was in such pain. I wouldn't want to see anyone go through something like that."

-OLIVIA NISHNIC JOHN DEMJANJUK'S GRANDDAUGHTER

A three-judge panel of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals granted a stay until it could further consider Demjanjuk's motion to reopen the case that ordered him deported, in which he says painful medical ailments would make travel to Germany torturous.



An arrest warrant in Germany claims Demjanjuk was an accessory to about 29,000 deaths during World War II at the Sobibor camp in Nazi-occupied Poland.

Former son-in-law and family spokesman Ed Nishnic said the family was relieved the stay was granted. "We're delighted. We're prepared to make our arguments with the 6th Circuit, and it's just a shame that Mr. Demjanjuk had to go through the hell that he went through once again this morning," he said.

John Demjanjuk is taken from his home in Seven Hills, Ohio, by immigration agents before his deportation was halted Tuesday.

Several family members, including a 10-year-old grandson, were in the home when the officers

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removed Demjanjuk Tuesday.

Nishnic said his former fatherin-law moaned in pain as he was placed in the wheelchair.

Demjanjuk's granddaughter Olivia Nishnic, 20, said: "It was horrendous. He was in such pain. I wouldn't want to see anyone go through something like that." M.R. KROPKO (AP)

THE NUMBER OF children born in the United States in 2008 to illegal immigrant parents, the Pew Hispanic Center reported on Tuesday. Nationwide, illegal immigrants' children account for one of every 15 students in kindergarten through 12th grade. According to the report, children of illegal immigrants born in the U.S. are nearly twice as likely to live in poverty than those with American-born parents. (AP)

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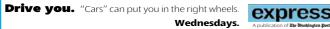
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The hottest news in almost every small and large city in the country is that there is a ton of money now available through many programs that provide grants and subsidized loans to help families buy their first home. If you qualify, you can use this money for a down payment to buy your first home, up to \$50,000 in some areas.

At the same time you might be able to apply for a free money grant to fix up your purchase and follow it up with a government subsidized mortgage to make your monthly payments truly affordable.

According to Oscar Anderson, former Deputy Chief of Staff for HUD and coauthor of the nation's most successful initiative to promote homeownership, "the American Dream Down Payment Program has put tens of thousands of people in homes with no money down - fully funded by the government, National Grants makes the money very real and accessible."

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Nike, Fed Ex, Intel, Ben & Jerry's, Quiznos, Jenny Craig and Columbia Sportswear (to name just a few!) all started with government subsidized loans from the SBA (Small Business Administration). The SBA has been told to get the billions allocated this year for business development pumped back into the economy.

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Table 421. Federal Grants-in-Aid to State and Local Governments: 1990 to 2006

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Sleep Fright: Bedbugs Are Back

EPA holds summit on insect in midst of nationwide outbreak

ARLINGTON, VA. | The federal government is waking up to what has become a growing nightmare in many parts of the country — a bedbug outbreak.

The tiny reddish-brown insects, last seen in great numbers before World War II, are on the rebound. They have infested college dormitories, hospital wings, homeless shelters and swanky hotels from New York City to Chicago to Washington.

They live in the crevices and



The bedbug, last seen in large numbers prior to World War II, is making a comeback.

folds of mattresses, sofas and sheets. Then, most often before dawn, they emerge to feed on human blood. Faced with rising numbers of complaints to city information lines and increasingly frustrated landlords, hotel chains and

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→ Bedbugs are not known to transmit any diseases. But their bites can cause infections and allergic reactions in some people. The insects release an anticoagulant to get blood flowing, and they also excrete a numbing agent, so their bites don't often stir victims' slumber.

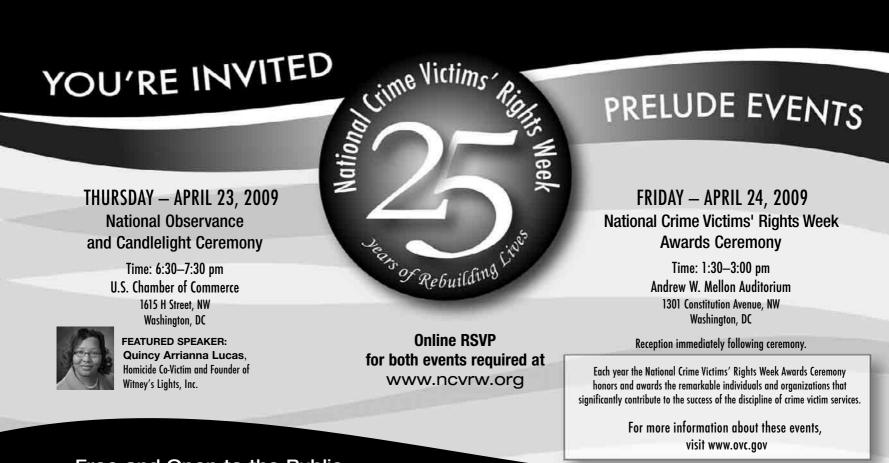
housing authorities, the Environmental Protection Agency hosted its first-ever bedbug summit Tuesday.

"The problem seems to be increasing, and it could definitely be worse in densely populated areas like cities, although it can be a problem for anyone," said Lois Rossi, director of the registration division in the EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs.

Increasing international travel has also increased the chances for the bugs to hitchhike from developing countries that never eradicated them completely.

"This is a worldwide resurgence," said Dini Miller, an entomologist and bedbug expert at Virginia Tech, who until 2001 saw bedbugs only on microscope slides dating from the 1950s.

"I can't tell you how many people have spent the night in their bath tubs because they are so freaked out by bedbugs," Miller said. "I get these people over the phone that have lost their marbles." DINA CAPPIELLO (AP)



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World

North Korea Kicks Out Inspectors

Pyongyang to restart nuclear program after U.N. condemnation

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA | North Korea said Tuesday it was restarting its rogue nuclear program, booting U.N. inspectors and pulling out of disarmament talks in an angry reaction to U.N. Security Council condemnation of its April 5 rocket launch. Pyongyang ordered U.N. nuclear inspectors to remove seals and cameras from its Yongbyon nuclear site and leave the country as quickly as possible, the International Atomic Energy Agency said.

North Korea told the IAEA it was "immediately ceasing all cooperation" and "has decided to reactivate all facilities and go ahead with the reprocessing of spent fuel," according to a statement from the U.N. agency. White House spokesman Robert Gibbs condemned the decision, saying the international community will not accept North Korea until it abandons what Washington calls its pursuit of nuclear weapons.

Russia also deplored the move and urged its neighbor to rejoin six-nation talks, which have been held since 2003 in an attempt to get Pyongyang to give up its nuclear program in exchange for aid. Britain's Foreign Office said the break with the IAEA was "completely unjustified."

China — Pyongyang's main ally and the host of the talks — called for calm on all sides.

Despite its defiance, analysts say North Korea is unlikely to abandon the talks altogether. They suggested North Korea could be trying to draw the United States into direct negotiations, which it has long sought. JEAN H. LEE (AP)



American-Iranian journalist Roxana Saberi films in Tehran, Iran, in 2003.

Iran Tries American Journalist

Reporter accused of espionage presents her defense in court

TEHRAN, IRAN | Iran said Tuesday its national security court put an American journalist on trial behind closed doors on allegations she spied for the U.S. — a charge Washington calls baseless.

The unusually swift one-day trial threatened to anger the U.S. at a time when the Obama administration is showing willingness to engage its longtime adversary.

Roxana Saberi, 31, a dual American-Iranian citizen, was arrested in January and initially accused of working without press credentials. But an Iranian judge leveled a far more serious allegation against her last week, charging her with spying for the United States.

"Yesterday, the first trial session was held. She presented her final defense," judiciary spokesman Ali Reza Jamshidi told reporters. "The court will issue its verdict within the next two to three weeks."

It was unclear why the trial was moving at such a fast pace. Under Iranian law, those convicted of spying normally face up to 10 years in prison. ALI AKBAR DAREINI (AP)

In Brief



An undated photo reportedly shows the world's first cloned camel, Injaz.

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Scientist Claims World's Ist Camel Clone Produced

A scientist says the world's first cloned camel has been produced in the desert emirate of Dubai. Nisar Ahmad Wani, a senior reproductive biologist at the government's Camel Reproduction Center, says the cloned camel is a 6-day-old, onehumped female called Achievement, or Injaz in Arabic. (AP)

KABUL Taliban Firing Squad Kills Couple Who Tried to Elope

A Taliban firing squad killed a young couple in southwestern Afghanistan for trying to elope, shooting them with AK-47s in front of a crowd in a militant-controlled region, officials said Tuesday. The woman, 19-year-old Gul Pecha, and the man, 21-year-old Abdul Aziz, were accused by the militants of immoral acts. (AP)



SWIFT CONCLUSION: A Thai monk holds a sign advocating democracy as anti-government protesters leave a camp Tuesday in Bangkok. Protesters abruptly ended their rallies after Monday's clashes with police and troops left two people dead. Police issued warrants for 14 leaders of the movement, including ousted prime minister Thaksin Shinawatra.

Somali Pirates Capture 4 Vessels

MOMBASA, KENYA | Somali pirates captured four ships and took more than 60 crew members hostage in a brazen hijacking spree Tuesday, while the American captain freed from their grip planned to reunite with his crew and fly home Wednesday to the United States.

Pirates have vowed revenge for the deaths of three colleagues at the hands of U.S. snipers rescuing Capt. Richard Phillips, as well as for two others slain by French forces in a separate rescue last week.

"Our latest hijackings were meant to show that no one can deter us from protecting our waters from the enemy because we believe in dying for our land," said Omar Dahir Idle, a pirate based in the coastal town of Harardhere.

The seizures were the Lebanese-owned cargo ship MV Sea Horse, the Greek-managed bulk carrier MV Irene E.M. and two Egyptian fishing boats. (AP)

ADS **Not Well Done** Burger King is nixing ads for its chili-flavored "Texican" hamburger after the Mexican government complained about an ad campaign featuring a diminutive wrestler dressed in a cape resembling a Mexican flag. The TV spots depict the Mexican wrestler teaming up with an American cowboy almost twice his size. Print ads that ran in Spain prompted the Mexican ambassador there to ask Burger King officials to withdraw them, saying they "improperly use the stereotyped image of a Mexican." (AP)

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World



Bolivian President Evo Morales, center, holds a law approved by Congress Tuesday in La Paz, Bolivia. Morales ended his fast after Congress broke a deadlock.

Bolivian President Ends 5-Day Fast

Morales enacts new law that lets him run for re-election in Dec.

LA PAZ, BOLIVIA | President Evo Morales ended a five-day hunger strike Tuesday after Bolivia's congress broke a political deadlock, approving a law that lets him run for re-election in December.

Morales, a husky Aymara Indian, looked a few pounds thinner as he formally enacted the law before a crowd that chanted "Evo, the people are with you!"

Morales, 49, had spent the weekend reclining on a mattress in the presidential palace, drinking chamomile tea and chewing coca leaves, a mild stimulant that helps suppress the appetite.

"The people should not forget

that you need to fight for change," the leftist leader said before dawn, flanked by 13 union activists who joined him in the fast.

The legislative compromise, reached at 4 a.m. Tuesday, also reserves seven seats for minority indigenous groups in the 130seat lower of house of the new congress, and enables Bolivians living abroad to vote, potentially adding about 300,000 new voters, most of whom live in Argentina, to the roughly 4 million eligible domestically.

The election law, a follow-up to a new constitution voters overwhelmingly approved in January, also sets stricter standards for voter authentication, introducing a \$30 million system of biometric identification, based on voters' fingerprints. CARLOS VALDEZ (AP)

HEARSAY | CUBAN EMBARGO



"Of the blockade, which is the cruelest of measures, not a word was uttered."

-FIDEL CASTRO,

FORMER CUBAN PRESIDENT, REACTING TO THE U.S.' SOFTENING OF SANCTIONS ON CUBA, IN AN ONLINE COLUMN PUBLISHED MONDAY. CASTRO CALLED THE ACT "POSITIVE ALTHOUGH MINI-MAL" AND URGED THE REPEAL OF THE TRADE EMBARGO.

Signs of Change in India's Election

'Untouchable' runs for PM, challenging caste discrimination

LUCKNOW, INDIA | Her father was a low-level government clerk from a caste so poor it was shunned for centuries as "untouchable." Her mother was illiterate.

But the daughter they named Mayawati sought a different destiny. She wanted political power, diamonds and a chance to help India's forgotten people. She wanted to build monuments to her heroes. Eventually, she got all that.

Now, as the nation of 1.2 billion heads into a national election



Mayawati, who has only one name, displays a crown given to her at a rally.

starting Thursday, she has an even larger goal: to run all of India.

In this election, a Herculean

i brought so much change to Uttar Pradesh, and ... I can do the same to the whole country."

> - MAYAWATI. INDIAN POLITICAL CANDIDATE

effort that stretches across four weeks, Mayawati lets no one forget that she came from a family of Dalits - as "untouchables" are now called - to run Uttar Pradesh, a state with a population larger than France, Britain and Spain combined.

And with India's political scene

increasingly fractured, she now dreams of becoming a national leader - a long shot, but not an impossible one.

The mere fact that a Dalit is under discussion for prime minister reflects the huge change sweeping India this decade. Caste-based parties have existed for years in India, chiefly at state level, and caste discrimination is illegal, but the vast majority remain desperately poor and ill-educated.

Mayawat says she'll end that. "I brought so much change to Uttar Pradesh, and if I'm elected prime minister, I can do the same to the whole country," she said at a recent rally. TIM SULLIVAN (AP)

Iran Plans New Satellite Launch

TEHRAN, IRAN | Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Tuesday that Iran planned to launch a new satellite into orbit, another potential step forward for the country's space program that has raised concerns in the West.

Iran's official news agency quoted Ahmadinejad as saying the launch would occur despite concerns in the West over the launch of Iran's first domestically made satellite in February. "Iran plans to launch a ... more sophisticated ... satellite into space," he said.

Ahmadinejad said a rocket with a range of 450 to 950 miles would carry the satellite to a higher altitude than its predecessor. (AP)

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Money

Optimism on Stocks Short-Lived

Wall Street pulls back after disappointing report on retail sales

NEW YORK | Wall Street shifted into reverse Tuesday after a surprisingly weak retail sales report punctured the market's optimism about the economy.

The poor sales data, combined with a sharp drop in wholesale prices, overshadowed better-thanexpected earnings reports from Johnson & Johnson and Goldman Sachs, leading the Dow Jones industrial average down 137.63, or 1.7 percent, to 7,920.18, according to preliminary calculations.



A report showing a I.I percent decline in retail sales sent stocks sliding Tuesday.

Broader measures also lost ground after three days of gains. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 17.22, or 2 percent, to

841.51, and the Nasdag composite index fell 27.59, or 1.7 percent, to 1,625.72.

Financial stocks were espe-

cially weak after Goldman said it would raise \$5 billion to repay government bailout money. Investors speculated that other major banks might follow suit, which would put pressure on their stocks.

The unexpected 1.1 percent slump in retail sales in March reported Tuesday undermined the market's brightening outlook for the economy. The drop was far worse than the increase of 0.3 percent that analysts had been expecting and marked the biggest fall in three months. Investors watch retail sales trends closely as a barometer of consumer spending, which makes up two-thirds of U.S. economic activity. (AP)

EBay to Spin Off **Skype Through Stock Offering**

NEW YORK | EBay Inc. plans to spin off its Internet communications service Skype through an initial public offering. The company expects to complete the IPO in the first half of next year.

EBay purchased Skype for \$2.6 billion in October 2005. It took a major writedown on the business in 2007, essentially acknowledging it had drastically overvalued it. In a statement, Chief Executive John Donahoe says it's clear Skype has "limited synergies" with eBay's online marketplace and with its payment service, PayPal. (AP)

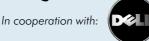


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Money

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KFC Gambles on the Grill

Fast-food chains rolls out new secret recipe for healthier chicken

LOUISVILLE, KY. | Would KGC ever have the same ring?

In a culinary gambit backed by buckets of big money, KFC is hoping to replicate its founder's recipe for success with the national introduction of Kentucky Grilled Chicken.

This week's rollout is KFC's most ambitious attempt to win over health-conscious customers as the chain known worldwide for fried chicken tries to reinvigorate lackluster U.S. sales.



KFC hopes its new grilled chicken offering, above, will revitalize its sales.

"It's going to get people who haven't eaten KFC for a long time to come back into our restaurants," said KFC President Roger Eaton.

Like its predecessor, Kentucky Grilled Chicken has its own secret recipe. The original copy of the recipe — a blend of six herbs and spices — will be kept in an electronic safe at company headquarters. It will sit alongside Sanders' handwritten recipe of 11 herbs and spices coating the chain's Original Recipe fried chicken.

KFC says each piece of its grilled chicken has 70 to 180 calories and 4 to 9 grams of fat. By contrast, the Original Recipe items have between 110 and 370 calories and 7 to 21 grams of fat, depending on the piece. (AP)

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Gov. Martin O'Malley, center, signs more than 150 bills into law in Annapolis Tuesday after the 90-day legislative session ended.

150 Md. Bills Become Law

Legislation helps keep Preakness, extends out-of-work benefits

Gov. Martin O'Malley signed legislation Tuesday morning giving the state new tools to help keep the Preakness Stakes in Maryland, extending unemployment benefits to part-time workers and giving the Prince George's County Hospital Authority more time to find a private buyer for the countyowned hospital system.

The bills were among more than 150 signed by the governor in the first of a series of ceremonies planned in the aftermath of the annual 90-day legislative session that ended Monday night.

Most higher-profile legislation, including bills tightening evidence standards in death penalty cases and providing additional protections for domestic violence victims, will be signed later.

Flanked by House Speaker Michael E. Busch, D-Anne Arundel, and Senate President Thomas V. Mike Miller Jr., D-Calvert, O'Malley said the session would be remembered for lawmakers' commitment to the state's priorities despite the recession.

"We've never forgotten to protect the families of our state,

particularly in tough times," O'Malley said.

The most notable bill O'Malley signed Tuesday authorizes the state to exercise eminent domain over Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore and all rights associated with the Preakness and the race trophy, the Woodlawn Vase.

The state also now has the authority to issue bonds to finance its purchase, with the goal of finding a private buyer later.

Another O'Malley priority signed Tuesday would make people who had worked at least 20 hours per week eligible for unemployment benefits. JOHN WAGNER (THE WASHINGTON POST)

The Lotteries Tuesday, April 14

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Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	7-4-4-9

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HEARSAY | TAX DAY

"This is a significant problem. These are basically people objecting to the entire notion of the tax system."

-THOMAS PERELLI, JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, SPEAKING ABOUT THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE EVERY YEAR WHO REFUSE TO PAY THE GOVERNMENT, KNOWN AS "TAX DEFIERS."

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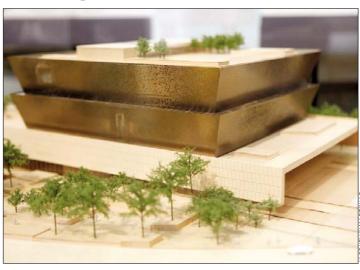
Black History Museum Design Set

Nobel Peace Center architect to lead work on green Mall edifice

WASHINGTON | The architectural group responsible for designing San Francisco's Museum of the African Diaspora has been selected to create the future black history museum on the National Mall.

The group Freelon Adjaye Bond in association with SmithGroup proposed a layered, glowing structure with a bronze crown atop the museum. A Smithsonian Institution jury announced its selection Tuesday.

David Adjaye will be the lead



The model above depicts the National Mall's future black history museum, which will be designed by the group Freelon Adjaye Bond in association with SmithGroup.

designer. He designed the Nobel Peace Center in Oslo, Norway, and the Museum of Contemporary Art in Denver.

The National Museum of African American History and Culture could be the final museum added to the expanse between the U.S. Capitol and the Washington Monument.

The building is slated to open in 2015 as the first certified environmentally friendly museum on the Mall, with groundbreaking in 2012. (AP)

Final selections: For more photos of the six finalists' architectural designs, go to washingtonpost. com/wp-dyn/content/gallery.

D.C. Photo ID Renewal Policy Raises Concerns

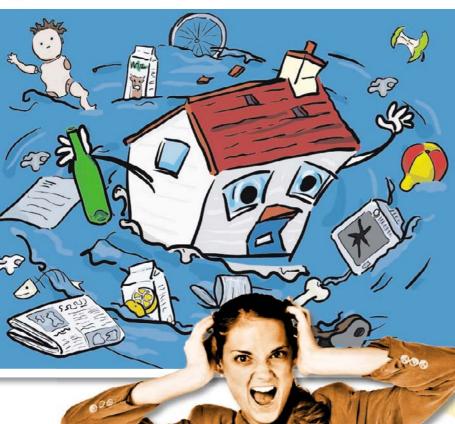
WASHINGTON | A new policy that allows D.C. residents to wait 17 years before updating the photo on their driver's license is raising security concerns.

The city says the change from every six years is designed to save money and increase government efficiency.

AAA Mid-Atlantic spokesman John Townsend warns the new policy "will lead to a whole raft of unintended consequences." He says cashiers may struggle to confirm the identity of a check writer, and underage drinkers may find it easier to use fake identification. (AP)



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Sports

Ovechkin Ready for the Next Step

Capitals superstar looks to add playoff success to his resume

CAPITALS | As he sat answering questions after Tuesday's practice, Washington Capitals forward Alex Ovechkin — the same guy who already this year donned Paris Hilton-esque glasses and a cowboy hat to win an all-star game skills competition and played hot potato with his stick for a goal celebration — couldn't help but put on the charm when asked what he thought of playing at Madison Square Garden.

🛑 This is it. You fight 82 games to be in the playoffs ... and now it's time to prove it was not just for 82 games."

"Sometimes the ice is not so good.... There's lots of concerts and dog shows," he said with a smile. "It smells over there sometimes."

But with the Caps' first-round series against the New York Rangers set to begin Wednesday at Verizon Center, Ovechkin's mood quickly turned serious. While many have already assumed the reigning league MVP will end his career as one of the game's all-time greats, he's well aware the anointing will have to wait until he carries the Caps to their first playoff

STORY LINES TO WATCH | RANGERS VS. CAPS

The Goaltenders: The Rangers have Henrik Lun-

dqvist, the game's second-best netminder on the penalty

kill. The Caps have enigmatic Jose Theodore (and a

rookie backup), who has the worst stats of any playoff



Capitals star forward Alex Ovechkin has done it all - except win a playoff series. He gets his chance against the N.Y. Rangers.



series win.

"This is it," Ovechkin said. "You fight 82 games to be in the playoffs ... and now it's time to prove it was not just for 82 games."

Look down the list of the game's best ever — Gretzky, Lemieux, Howe, Yzerman — they've all won multiple Stanley Cups. To be fair,

Special Teams: The Rangers

have the league's best penalty kill,

while the Caps have the second-best

power play. Whoever prevails in this

battle will likely take the series.

Ovechkin and most of this current bunch of Caps have had just one year and seven games of playoff experience, thanks to last year's first-round loss to Philadelphia.

Many on the team admit now they just didn't know what to expect from playoff hockey after making a miraculous run into the postseason picture late last season.

"The nerves aren't there that were there last year," Mike Green explained.

But a lot of the pressure falls on the shoulders of Ovechkin to take his team to another level like superstars are supposed to. Count his coach among those who think it's only a matter of time before the Great 8 becomes a playoff fixture.

"He's got 12 years left on his contract, and he's gonna win a playoff round," Bruce Boudreau said. "Hopefully, it's this year, but he's not gonna go 12 years without it." mark giannotto



DISCUSSIONS

D.C. SPORTS BOG

Over/under Oct. I for Arenas's next surgery?

I don't think you can really do it again. Either he's ready to play basketball, or he just transitions straight into the blogging equivalent of Charles Barkley's job.

[A record of] 0-7 kind of makes you say "Wait till next year" right out of the box. doesn't it?

As a sort of casual observer of the Nats, my fondest hope was that they could keep D.C. interested through the All-Star break. The problem with this is even if they steady themselves soon, the chance for buzz is almost gone already.

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Any good stories from the Frozen Four - aside from, you know, the two goals in the last minute and the overtime?

I was mildly disappointed by the lack of fan weirdness. The Vermont fans struck me as the most likely to be weird, but they mostly bailed after the semifinal loss.

I think it is funny that last year and the economy are being blamed for the Nationals' anemic ticket sales. I am so turned off by the way the Lerners have handled the Nats that I would rather give my money to Peter Angelos.

I agree with you wholeheartedly. The Caps raised ticket prices and are starting a season-ticket waiting list. I'm not sure if this speaks well or badly of D.C. fans, but they're willing to speak with their wallets.

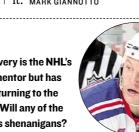


washingtonpost.com Dan Steinberg finds the news of the weird in the D.C. sports world at blog.washingtonpost. com/dcsportsbog.

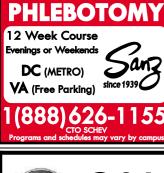


NFL DRAFT Lambeau Leap A Duke spokesman said former point guard Greg Paulus recently worked out for the Green Bay Packers in advance of the NFL draft. Spokesman Art Chase said Tuesday that Paulus threw with Blue Devils receiver Eron Riley during a workout last week on campus. Paulus was a star high school quarterback in Syracuse, N.Y., but hasn't taken a snap since he was a senior, in 2004, and focused on basketball at Duke. He started three years in basketball before being benched as a senior. (AP)

Sean Avery: Avery is the NHL's most notorious tormentor but has played well since returning to the Big Apple in March. Will any of the Caps succumb to his shenanigans?



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Sports

Chelsea Outlasts Liverpool

Blues advance 7-5 in Champions League quarterfinal thriller

SOCCER | Chelsea and Barcelona advanced to the Champions League semifinals with separate draws Tuesday and will face each other in the next round.

Chelsea held on to oust Liverpool 7-5 on aggregate after a 4-4 draw at Stamford Bridge in the second leg of the quarterfinals, and two-time champion Barcelona advanced past Bayern Munich 5-1 on aggregate after a 1-1 draw in Germany.

The first leg of the semifinals



Chelsea's Frank Lampard celebrates after his first goal in the 76th minute.

will be at the Nou Camp on April 28. The second leg is set for May 6 in London.

Fabio Aurelio and Xabi Alonso

scored in the first 28 minutes to give Liverpool hope of overturning the 3-1 loss at Anfield, but Frank Lampard ended up with two goals for Chelsea and Alex and Didier Drogba added the others. Liverpool's Lucas Leiva and Dirk Kuyt also scored late.

Barcelona did just enough in Munich as Franck Ribery gave Bayern the lead in the 47th minute, taking a pass from Ze Roberto and beating Barcelona goalkeeper Victor Valdes with a high shot to the far right side.

Seydou Keita equalized for the Spanish league leaders in the 73rd after a pass from Xavi Hernandez. ROB HARRIS (AP)

MADOFF **Golden Tickets** A federal bankruptcy judge signed off Tuesday on a plan to raise tens of thousands of dollars for victims of the Bernard Madoff fraud by auctioning off pricey New York Mets season tickets owned by the disgraced financier's investment firm. The judge joked they should wait for the sale until the Mets start playing better. (AP)



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Nationals Send Milledge Down To the Minors

WASHINGTON | Nationals center fielder Lastings Milledge has been optioned to Triple-A Syracuse.

Milledge is batting .167 with no extra-base hits, one RBI,

hits, one RBI, one walk and 10 strikeouts this season. He has been hitting in the leadoff spot.



Washington ------

is 0-7, the only team in the major leagues without a victory, and sits 5½ games back in the National League East.

The Nationals did not immediately announce who will replace Milledge on the active roster. They were off Tuesday and scheduled to host Philadelphia on Wednesday. (AP)

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Sports

Wizards Say 'Inevitable' Isn't Done

Team denies latest report Saunders has agreed to be coach

WIZARDS | Wizards President of Basketball Operations Ernie Grunfeld said through a team representative on Tuesday that no agreement has been reached for Flip Saunders to coach the team, despite two media reports that a deal has been finalized.

Saunders has been offered the job and is expected to become coach of the Wizards, possibly early next week, according to league sources. One source called Saunders' hiring "inevitable."

Regardless of who the next coach is, the Wizards (19-62) will finish the season last in the

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

CAPITALS (7 P.M. ON CSN) The

Caps open their series against the

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Nationals play the Phillies in an attempt

WIZARDS (8 P.M. ON NEWSCHANNEL

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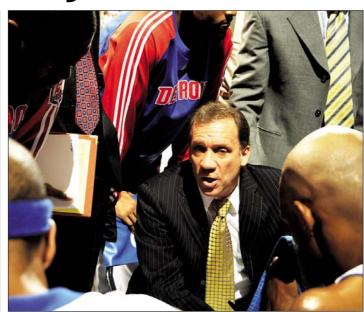
MORE NHL (7 P.M. AND 10 P.M. ON

VERSUS) Game 1 of the Flyers-

season against the Boston Celtics.

at their first win in eight games.

Rangers.



Former Detroit Pistons coach Flip Saunders is rumored to become the next coach of the Washington Wizards. Yet, GM Ernie Grunfeld denied those reports Tuesday.

The percentage of ping-pong balls in the NBA draft lottery the Wizards would receive if they finished with the second-worst record in the league.

Eastern Conference and need to defeat the Boston Celtics Wednesday at TD Banknorth Garden to avoid tying the 2000-01 team for the worst record in franchise history.

The Wizards are tied with the Los Angeles Clippers for the second-worst record in the league.

The second-place finisher gets 19.9 percent of the ping-pong balls in the draft lottery, and third place gets 15.6 percent. MICHAEL LEE (THE WASHINGTON POST)

FIU Taps Thomas as New Coach

Hall of Fame player heads to college for success on the bench

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS | Isiah Thomas is back in coaching, and Florida International wound up as his surprising destination.

The former New York Knicks president and coach was hired to take over FIU's program Tues-

day, a move that gives the Hall of Fame player a chance to revive his career.

The financial terms of his fivevear contract



weren't immediately released. A news conference to introduce Thomas was planned for Wednesday. "We are very excited to have such a legend-

basketball program," FIU athletic director Pete Garcia said.

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Isiah Thomas to lead our men's

Thomas coached the Indiana Pacers before taking over in New York, where an array of problems marred his tenure. He has never coached at the college level. (AP)



retires four months after he was thoroughly beaten by Manny Pacquiao, his fourth loss in his last

De La Hoya

seven fights. De La Hoya finished with a record of 39-6 and 30 knockouts. (AP)

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BOXING | Oscar De La Hoya called | it quits in the ring Tuesday, ending a career in which he won 10 world titles in six divisions and became

boxing's most popular fighter. He announced his decision at an outdoor plaza across the street from Staples Center, where a statue of the 36-year-old Golden Boy stands.

"I've come to the conclusion that it's over," he said. "It's over



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THERE WERE PLENTY OF THINGS for Manager Manny Acta to like about how his team played in Monday's home opener at Nationals Park.

His No. 2 hitter, Cristian Guzman, had five hits. His Nos.3, 4 and 5 hitters — Ryan Zimmerman, Adam Dunn and Elijah Dukes — all hit home runs. His starting second baseman, Anderson Hernandez, came off the disabled list to make his season debut.

But the Washington Nationals lost for the seventh time in seven tries. As the game slipped away Monday when Philadelphia scored



Nationals Manager Manny Acta signs autographs before Monday's home opener.



four times in the seventh inning, the first boos of the season emanated from the box seats along the first-base side.

"I was once a fan, too, before I signed a professional contract. I understand people are disappointed," Acta said. "I have two choices. I can start losing it and going crazy ... or, you know, keep my cool head and keep working with my guys and stay positive. And I choose to do that."

Dukes Heats Up

Elijah Dukes played himself out of the starting right field spot during the exhibition season with a weak performance at the plate. But he and Acta both credited increased work with hitting coach Rick Eckstein for contributing to an early season hot streak that has forced Acta to pencil Dukes' name into the lineup regularly.

Remembering Robinson

All major-league players will wear No. 42 on Wednesday to honor Jackie Robinson, who became the first black player in the majors on April 15, 1947. DEREK TURNER



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Red Sox Ace Beckett Suspended for High Pitch

Boston pitcher Josh Beckett has been suspended for six games

and fined by Major League Baseball, which determined he intentionally threw a pitch near the head of the Los Angeles Angels' Bobby



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Abreu last week. Beckett also was cited for "aggressive actions" after the pitch that led to the benches' clearing Sunday, said Bob Watson, vice president for discipline in the commissioner's office. (AP)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Source: UConn's Auriemma To Coach National Team

Fresh from leading unbeaten UConn to the NCAA championship, Geno Auriemma is set to become coach of the U.S. women's basketball team through the 2012 Olympics. Auriemma will serve as head coach for the next three years, a person familiar with the hiring told The Associated Press on Tuesday. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because an announcement had not been made. A news conference was set for Wednesday in Storrs, Conn. (AP)





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A Little Less Country

Jessica Simpson may not be as good a fit for Nashville as originally thought

GENRE | Jessica Simpson's courtship with country music seems to have had a shorter shelf life than her marriage.

After lackluster sales for her country debut, "Do You Know," Simpson and her Nashville record label have parted ways, leaving many wondering what's next for the 28-year-old entertainer.

"Right now, it seems like she's taken a break from recording. There is nothing else on the books,"

She walked the walk, ... but she didn't have the street cred that she needed to make it work."

said Ian Drew, senior music editor at Us Weekly magazine.

A spokeswoman for the onetime pop princess says Simpson remains part of the Sony Music Group on the Epic label but is no longer working with the company's country division, Sony Music Nashville.

"She was on loan to Sony Nashville for her country album," said Lauren Auslander.

As for her future in country music? "We don't know yet," she said.



CAREFULLY CHOSEN ENSEMBLE: You can throw on plaid, turquoise and jean shorts all at the same time, Jessica, but it still doesn't make you a country star.

"Do You Know" started strong but faded fast. The lead single, "Come on Over," a flirtatious, steel guitar-laced slice of country pop, peaked at No. 18 last summer, and the album debuted at No. 1. But the second single, "Remember That," stalled at No. 42, and the third, "Pray Out Loud," failed to chart.

lookout

Simpson came to country after her 2006 pop outing, "A Public Affair," fell flat. The Texasborn blonde touted the move as a return to her roots. She performed on the Grand Ole Opry, signed autographs at the Country Music Association's annual festival, and toured with country's multiplatinum trio Rascal Flatts.

But she got more publicity for her life outside of music, most of it far from positive. She was ridiculed when it seemed as though she had gained a few pounds, and the status of her romance with Dallas Cowboys football player Tony Romo was constantly scrutinized.

Some detractors viewed her country career as a calculated attempt to follow other pop stars who have found success on country radio.

"Working the country market is very different. You really have to work it at country. You have to spend your life on the road building an audience, and she didn't really put the work in," Drew observed. "She walked the walk and talked the talk, but she didn't have the street cred that she needed to make it WORK." JOHN GEROME (AP)



Swayze plays an FBI agent on the show.

Fate of 'The Beast' Uncertain

Patrick Swayze's health is central to the show's future

RENEWAL | Heading into its home stretch, A&E's drama "The Beast" will resolve several questions that have dogged freewheeling FBI agent Charles Barker all season.

But other questions loom much larger questions about the series and its ailing star, Patrick Swayze.

Neither ratings nor A&E's declared pride in the series can dictate whether "The Beast" will get a second-season pickup. The overriding question mark is Swayze's fight against pancreatic cancer.

The future of "The Beast" and Swayze's continued participation remain unclear, said A&E President Bob DeBitetto.

"As has been the case from Day one, it is all about Patrick — in a lot of ways," said DeBitetto. "It is about his condition, and when and whether he would be up for another grueling production schedule." FRAZIER MOORE (AP)



VISITORS **Green on the Green** The Flaming Lips are headlining an Earth Day concert on the National Mall this weekend, and Chevy Chase is scheduled to help thank thousands who volunteered to improve parks and schools in 10 major cities. Organizers announced Tuesday that the bands moe. and Los Lobos also will perform in Washington on Sunday afternoon, along with DJ Spooky and the Howard University Drummers. Other concerts are planned in New York, San Francisco and six other cities. (AP)

lookout entertainment

Playful Regression: It's a Gas

A District club whose name induces giggles lets adults' inner kids come out to romp

DIVERSIONS | Allison Feigen got a few startled stares on the Metro a few weeks ago when she encountered a familiar face.

"Someone had recognized me from an event," explained the 23-year-old. "It was a little funny to say, 'Oh, I met you at FART.' That was kind of awkward."

FART stands for Faux Athletic Recreational Tournaments — gatherings at which adults play games most of us remember from the playground: Connect Four, shuffleboard and even four square.

From that blithe spirit came the group's cheeky name. "The thought

was 'FART' or 'FART in D.C.' is something you can remember," said group president Dave Band, 29.

Since founding FART in September, Band and his cohorts have been steadily planning monthly activities. They're starting their spring season April 18 with a citywide game of hide and seek (\$15 donation, Fartindc.org for details).

Band says the inspiration for FART grew out of D.C.'s kickball leagues, whose participants often unwind after games by packing local watering holes.

"I had played on a kickball team and a bocce league," Band said. "Initially, playing kickball was this interesting concept, like, 'Adults are playing children's games.' [Now,] it's not really a creative choice since so many people do it."

The esprit de corps found in



FART narticinants tested their Connect Four skills at a fall event at Bocket Bar

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other sports leagues is still a big part of FART, as are happy hours, such as the fete at the Hawk 'n' Dove (5:30-8 p.m., 329 Pennsylvania Ave. SE, 202-543-3300) that's scheduled to follow Saturday's event.

And there's an extra layer of goodness to these outings: All of FART's proceeds benefit local charities ranging from Bread for the City to the Capital Breast Care Center.

It's this mix of camaraderie and do-gooding that's made 24-yearold Taylor Leake a FART fan.

"Meeting new people was the first attraction," he said. "But the fact that they're trying to do something for the community and donating to causes is what has me coming back." KRIS CORONADO (EXPRESS)

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'Krod' Is a Juvenile Delight

A new series revels in self-parody and sets up camp on Comedy Central

MOCKERY | A parody of a genre that itself regularly approaches — even embraces — self-parody, "Krod Mandoon and the Flaming Sword of Fire" brings rippling pecs and flashing blades to Comedy Central.

A co-production between the home of "Reno 911!" and, surprisingly, the BBC, the series is less a takeoff on big-budget sword-andsorcery films than on its more modest television kin — such as "Xena: Warrior Princess" and the recent "Legend of the Seeker," whose visual grammar it replicates expertly. And although it is often stunningly juvenile in its humor, there is something stunningly juvenile about the stuff it lampoons. After watching last Thursday night's pilot, I'm not convinced it's all that good, but "Krod" may be the right show for the right audience.

Much of the humor comes from interpolating modern attitudes and phrases such as "hostile work environment," "PR nightmare," "relationship tune-up" and "take a mulligan" into a historical miseen-scene. But unlike Mel Brooks' "When Things Were Rotten" or Zucker-Abraham-Zucker's "Police Squad!," et al, "Krod" does not lampoon specific pop-cultural targets or indulge in surrealist puns.

Buff Sean Maguire (who did similar duty in the gladiator parody "Meet the Spartans") stars as



The crew from "Krod Mandoon" reminds us of a certain "Warrior Princess" cast.

Krod, leader of a ragtag band of rebels fighting a tyrannical empire — the usual. Joining him are cartwheeling warrior girlfriend Aneka (India de Beaufort), for whom "sex is just another weapon in my arsenal"; a warlock (Kevin Hart) who knows no magic; a pig-faced man (Steve Speirs); and Bruce (Marques Ray), who is gay. I can't quite work out whether the abundance of gay jokes here is regressive or enlightened.

If anything tips the scale in the series' favor, it's Matt Lucas, from "Little Britain," as the evil Chancellor Dongalor, a mid-level bad guy with his sights set on world domination. There's something delightfully musical in his delivery, whether calling for "juice and muffins" or apologizing to the latest person he's killed by mistake. He is the latest in a long line of camp British villains, and he does not disgrace himself, except when he means to. ROBERT LLOYD (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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tonight's lineup

GRILLED CHEESE PART 2 A vision of the Virgin appears in a cardboard factory on **BONES** (8 p.m., Fox).

EVIDENCE EVERYWHERE A strip-club parking lot yields clues on a rerun of LAW & ORDER: SVU (9 p.m., NBC).

OPERA NIGHT IN

GREAT PERFORMANCES (9 p.m., PBS) presents the opera "Lucia di Lammermoor" by Donizetti.

SURVIVAL OF THE FAVORITES Seven becomes six on **AMERICAN IDOL** (9 p.m., Fox).

DYNAMIC DUO Miles and Hurley join forces on LOST (9 p.m., ABC).

ON THE PROWL

05-M-0169 03-M-0149 Remember "Mamma's Boys"? The odd Oedipal theme continues on **THE COUGAR** (10 p.m., TV Land). On this festival of nervous laughs, a 40-ish mother of four entertains a gaggle of guys under 30.



Billy Mays' energy level is unparalleled and, apparently, sells lots of products.

impact-resistant resin for shockabsorbing shoe insoles. How impact resistant? It's protective enough to protect the human hand from the weight of a 6,000pound SUV!

"Pitchmen" also offers a poignant tale of a cancer survivor living in a trailer in Pearland, Texas, who has developed a device designed to hold that bulky GPS device and its pesky wires. Does that pack the "wow"? You'll just have to watch to find out. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)



Host Vivica A. Fox and "The Cougar" smile for the cameras on TV Land.

MOB SCENE?

A crime wave may be all in the family on **THE UNUSUALS** (10 p.m., ABC).

MOTLEY CREW

Christina Applegate, Mike Tyson and Dana Gould appear on **JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE** (12:05 a.m., ABC). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

food lookout

A Real Patty Animal

Chef Bobby Flay tells how to flip, top and cheese up a burger

Before "Top Chef" glamorized bacon battles and squash showdowns, Bobby Flay was challenging other top toques on Food Network's "Iron Chef America" (Sun., 9 p.m.). The celeb chef has now set his spatula on fast food by launching Bobby's Burger Palace joints in the New York area and a book, "Bobby Flay's Burgers, Fries and Shakes" (\$26, Clarkson Potter). We chatted him up about flipping, frying and shake-making. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

Have you learned anything by running burger restaurants?

People want burgers cooked more than I think they should. They don't want to see pink, but I recommend burgers medium-rare.

What's the secret to a burger?

People overthink hamburgers. You just have to use chop meat that has enough fat, 20 percent, season it on both sides, and turn it once.

What should I cook my burger in? A cast-iron pan. You flip the patty just once. It gets a nice crust.



MEAT UP: Bobby Flay puts the smackdown on hamburgers in his new cookbook.

The book has cool flavor combos: feta and cucumber-topped Greek burgers, garlic-butter burgers. How'd you come up with them? I'm inspired by experiences I've had. I try to focus on one place. Onions, mushroom and thyme is cool on a burger, but it doesn't have a story. Like a Napa Valley Burger gets Meyer lemon mustard and goat cheese, and a Santa Fe Burger is topped with green chilies.

What's the best burger cheese? I like American cheese, though some chefs might not agree. It's a perfect melting cheese! I also like Swiss and Gruyere.

Bread for burgers has got to be soft. You want the bun to become part of the burger as you are eating it."

What about bread?

Bread for burgers has got to be soft. You want the bun to become part of the burger as you are eating it.

Isn't making fries at home tricky? Without a doubt. But you can make shoestring fries easily — you just fry them once.

Any secrets to good shakes?

The key is a lot of ice cream. It should be slightly melted before you put it in, then pulsed for about 30 seconds.

You TV shows often involve culinary battles. Why?

Everyone is competitive in some way. It's fun to be competitive with cooking because, in the end, we all get to eat good food.

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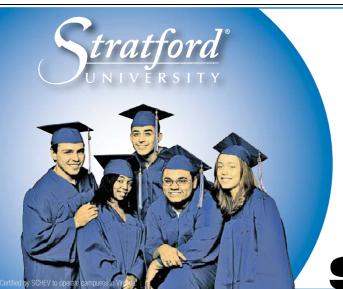
Fresh Mint-Chocolate Speckled Milk Shake

Makes two 8-oz. milk shakes

INGREDIENTS: 1 cup whole milk; 1 cup coarsely chopped fresh mint leaves plus four whole mint leaves and additional sprigs for garnish (optional); 2 tbsp. sugar; 11 oz. premium vanilla ice cream (about 13/4 packed cups); 1 oz. bittersweet chocolate bar (don't use chips), melted and kept warm

COMBINE THE MILK, mint leaves and sugar in a small saucepan and bring to a simmer. Transfer to a bowl, cover and refrigerate for at least eight hours and up to a day. Strain the milk into a bowl.

Pour 1/2 cup of the flavored milk into a blender, add the whole mint leaves and blend for five seconds. Add the ice cream and blend until almost smooth, about seven seconds. With the motor running, slowly pour the melted chocolate into the blender and blend for five seconds. Serve immediately, garnished with mint sprigs. FROM "BOBBY FLAY'S BURGERS, FRIES & SHAKES"



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A view of Providence from Prospect Park shows a statue of Roger Williams, left, the founder of the colony of Rhode Island.

Divine Providence

The smallest state's capital offers a broad range of things to do

DESTINATIONS | Rhode Island may be the smallest state in the union, but there's plenty to experience within its borders — and even within Providence, the state capital once maligned as a dreary mob hangout that has since earned the moniker of "Renaissance City."

The Colonial-era homes and churches that attest to Providence's rich history are now joined on the skyline by modern high-rise condos and luxury hotels.

There's lively regional the-

It's easy to explore beyond Providence, since it takes only an hour to drive across the state.

ater, compelling museums, and tasty and cheap eateries nestled among the more elegant city restaurants.

The diverse mix of ethnicities the Portuguese, Liberians and Italians are represented in large numbers — adds to the city's identity, as do its top-notch universities.

Brush up on your Manet and Monet at the Museum of Art at the Rhode Island School of Design, which holds 84,000 objects.

On Saturday nights in the spring, summer and fall, join the rest of the state at WaterFire — a free public arts display featuring bonfires lit in metal pans along the three rivers that run downtown.

And grab some Italian cuisine at Federal Hill, Providence's very own authentic Little Italy.

An added bonus: It's easy to explore beyond the city, since it takes only an hour to drive from one end of the state to the other. Take in the Gilded Age mansions in Newport or check out one of the beaches that give the Ocean State its nickname. ERIC TUCKER (AP)

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Out of the Broken Places

One reporter's look at the details of the Columbine tragedy that shaped America

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BOOK | Mention the word "Columbine," and the mental regurgitation starts: Dylan Klebold and Eric Harris moving choppily around the cafeteria at Colorado's Columbine High School; wounded victim Patrick Ireland being lowered from the library window; students and parents sobbing and grasping each other in fear.

But a gulf separates those shadowy memories of pain from the truth of what really happened in Jefferson County, Colo., on April 20, 1999, and in "Columbine," journalist Dave Cullen fights those misconceptions by presenting



SAD STORY: Cullen is one of the leading authorities on the Columbine shootings.

an exhaustively researched and intensely compelling story of the tragedy.

"When it comes to misconceptions," Cull said, "most people think that a few dozen died [the final death count was 15, including the shooters]. This was a terrorist attack. The scale of what Columbine was supposed to be was far more. ... People always ask, 'How did we not know about the bombs [which were found scattered inside and outside the school building]?' I tell them, 'You did; it was all over the newspapers.' Memory is so tricky."

Cullen's reconstruction starts a week before the killings, taking 388 pages to tell the story of the survivors, the victims and the killers through a fast-paced narrative, balancing psychoanalysis with sensitive in-depth reporting. His approach allows individual stories to be unspooled from generalities in order to capture individual distinctions among the tales and pain that each person carried.

Even the killers.

"You have to stop asking why 'they' did it," Cullen. said "Whenever you say 'they,' you will get it wrong. Dylan did it for one reason and Eric did it for another, but they were completely different reasons." NATHAN MARTIN (EXPRESS)

→ Politics & Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave; Wed., 7 p.m., free, 800-722-0790, politics-prose.com. (Van Ness)

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Economic Stimulus

It's tax day, and we're hoping you've turned in your 1040 by now and can indulge in some well-earned tax day freebies. HydroMassage, a water-based massage system, is giving out trial massages to help you relax and reju-



venate after the hours spent number crunching the night before. Afterward, replace that worry headache with a

sugar headache by heading over to Maggie Moo's for a gratis scoop of ice cream or making a quick stop at Cinnabon for free Cinnabon bites. That'll keep you happy while you wait for your refund check. B.A.



Parisian Paradise

In the 1960s, the racism in America was deep-seated and horrifying. So, "Paris Blues," a film set in a jazz-soaked and more inclusive Paris, was both a comfort and a sad reminder of the problems in the U.S. Now, the Smithsonian is showing the film as part of Jazz Appreciation Month. Paul Newman and Sidney Poitier star, but the real standout is the gorgeous score by jazz legend Duke Ellington, left. Tickets are first come, first served. F.Z.

> → National Portrait Gallery, 8th and F streets NW; 7 p.m., free; 202-633-3030. (Gallery Place)



Garage Band Kings

Upset about missing SXSW? Luckily for you, local participants the Hall Monitors are back home at the Black Cat tonight. Since the band formed in 2006, it's made quite a name for itself supporting big-name bands. Sporting a mix of punk and R&B, this foursome have made a nice garage-rock niche for themselves. Drop by the show and you'll be in for a no-holds-barred, straight-up rock 'n' roll treat. N.O. → Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; with the Woggles, 8 p.m., \$10; 202-667-4490. (U St.-Cardozo)

the scene



Thai Tanic is one of the restaurants participating in Thai Restaurant Week.

THURSDAY

'Another Time, Another Place': A collection of works by up-and-coming Hungarian video artists. Katzen Arts Center, American University, 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW; through April 19, free; 202-885-1300. (Tenleytown) Filmfest DC: Today marks the beginning of D.C.'s annual international film festival. Kick it off with "Departures," a Japanese film about a struggling young musician. Various locations, through April 26, individual tickets \$10; 202-628-3456. FRIDAY

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- National Acrobats of China: Gymnastic feats like you've never seen before. You thought the Olympics were impressive? Just you wait. George Mason University Center for the Arts, Route 123 and Braddock Road, Fairfax; 8 p.m., \$23-\$46; 703-993-8888.
- DC Tap Fest: Tap your troubles away with a celebration of tap dancing. Take classes during the day and see professionals perform at night. DC Dance Collective, 4908 Wisconsin Ave. NW; through April I9, \$25 for classes or \$30 for concerts; 202-421-0235. (Friendship Heights)

SATURDAY

Thai Restaurant Week: This weekend marks the end of the Royal Thai Embassy's Thai Restaurant Week, so snap up the food deals before they disappear for another year. Various locations; through Sun.; 202-467-6790.

Explore our searchable list of the area's events, venues, restaurants and movies at **Expressnightout.com/thescene**.

Compiled by Express' Fiona Zublin, Brian Austin and Nicole Ocran. Read more every day at **Expressnightout.com/topstops**.

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Poll Center

WOULD YOU AGREE TO BE LAID OFF IF YOU WERE OFFERED A HALF A YEAR'S PAY?

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AS OF 5 P.M.

YES	52%
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"No way! I have a friend who is very well educated and has lots of experience but has been looking for a job for 18 months. He's always lived within his means and, therefore, is doing fairly well."

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COMMENTER MSJB, WHO ADDED, "WHILE YOU ARE WAITING TO FIND A JOB, YOU COULD ALSO FILE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT.

SEE HOW YOUR METRO STATION VOTED W W W . E X P R E S S N I G H T O U T . C O M



"The Idol Experience' does not disappoint. The show brilliantly operates as both a parody and a legitimate offshoot at the same time."

NEWSROOM.MTV.COM ATTENDED THE FOX PERFORMANCE SHOW EXHIBIT AT DISNEY WORLD THIS WEEK, ADDING, "[IT'S] ALL KILLER, NO FILLER! THE ENTIRE SHOW RUNS ABOUT 20 MINUTES. AN 'IDOL' WITH NO TIME-WASTING? YOUR MIND'S BLOWN, BIGHT?"



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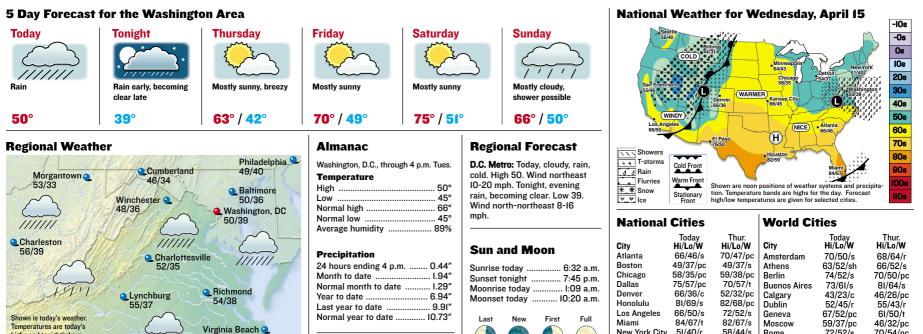
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PRESIDENT OBAMA'S PUSH FOR FIFA TO

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comics lookout

Bizarro | Dan Piraro



Cornered | *Mike Baldwin*



Flat tire in the middle of nowhere. It was good to have a shoulder to cry on.

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan



Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis



The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

ARIES (March 2I-April 19) You don't want anyone to misunderstand your motives at this time. Be clear, direct and openly communicative. Don't try to hide anything.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) There are those within your inner circle who may doubt your methods or your motives. You can win them over again, surely. GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You can assert yourself without coming across as too aggressive at this time. The stakes are actually higher than you might think.

CANCER (June 2I-July 22) The mysterious or unusual is likely to attract your attention. You'll find that you have a unique way of looking at things.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) An opportunity arises that will allow you to look at yourself through another's eyes—and you may not like everything you see.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Are your intentions really as pure as you think? It may be time once more for a little self-assessment. Are you fooling yourself? **LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** It's important to follow the rules, but it may prove difficult for you at this time if the guidelines are unclear.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You're in no mood to organize others. Rather, you want to focus on your own efforts, making sure that you maximize personal rewards.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Trust is likely to be a key issue throughout the day. Ultimately, what makes the difference is your ability to see yourself clearly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're in the mood for some fun and games. Don't let yourself become too aggressively competitive.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You may start the day unsure of yourself and your position, but later on confidence will build. You'll feel stronger and more capable.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Dependability is perhaps your greatest strength — but you may be torn between two alliances. You can accommodate both, in fact.

Today in History

1861 Three days after the Confederate attack on Fort Sumter in South Carolina, President Abraham Lincoln declares a state of insurrection and calls out Union troops.

1865 President Abraham Lincoln dies, several hours after being shot at Ford's Theatre in Washington by John Wilkes Booth. Andrew Johnson becomes the nation's 17th president.

1912 The British luxury liner RMS Titanic sinks in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland, less than three hours after striking an iceberg. About 1,500 people die.

1945 British and Canadian troops liberate the Nazi concentration camp Bergen-Belsen. **1947** Jackie Robinson, baseball's first black major league player, makes his official debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on open-



Jackie Robinson made his debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on April 15, 1947.

ing day. **20008** Pope Benedict XVI steps onto U.S. soil for the first time as pontiff as he is greeted at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington by President George W. Bush, first lady Laura Bush and their daughter Jenna.

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lookout people



IN COURT Restraining Order on Johnson Stalker Extended

A court has issued a three-year restraining order against a Florida man who tried to break onto the "Dancing With the Stars" set to meet **SHAWN JOHNSON**. Robert O'Ryan has been in custody since last month, when he jumped a fence at the studio lot of the dancing competition. A search of his car turned up loaded guns, duct tape and love letters to Johnson. (AP)

POSSESSIONS Hundreds of Creepy Men In Basements Crushed

MICHAEL JACKSON's possessions aren't going to the auction block after all. Julien's Auction House and a spokesman for Jackson said Tuesday that the singer will retain possession of about 2,000 items from Neverland Ranch as part of

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Find the latest celebrity news and photo evidence of stars' sordid lives at W W W. EXPRESSNIGHTOUT.COM.



Behind the Body

A new book will offer an up-close-and-personal take on **DAVID BECKHAM**'s U.S. adventure. Grant Wahl's "The Beckham Experiment," due in July from Crown, draws upon interviews with Beckham, and L.A. Galaxy teammates and officials. The book's release is timed to coincide with his expected return to Los Angeles. He has been on extended loan to AC Milan since January. (AP) CONFUSION 'What's This Called? It's On the Tip of My Tongue ... Oh, Work!'

LINDSAY LOHAN has made a

mock dating service video posted on the comedy Web site FunnyOrDie. com. Lohan, 22, recently said that she and DJ Samantha Ronson are taking a "brief break." The video, posted Tuesday, is in the guise of an eHarmony ad. Lohan says she's



Jamie Foxx

Miley Cyrus

ADVICE Pregnancy Also an Option

JAMIE FOXX launched a crude attack on MILEY CYRUS on his Sirius satellite radio show, saying: "Make a "recently single ... I think." She says she's looking for someone to spend the rest of her life with, "or at least the

rest of my probation with." Lohan says she's looking for the perfect mate who likes long walks on the beach, car chases on the Pacific Coast Highway, "antiquing and passing out in Cadillac Escalades." A spokeswoman says the video was shot last weekend. (AP)

sex tape and grow up!" It's not clear when the comments were made. But the insults began flying after someone brought up the 16-yearold's recent feud with Radiohead after Cyrus wasn't allowed to hang out with the band after the Grammys. Foxx is heard saying: "Who is Miley Cyrus? The one with all the gums? She need to get a gum transplant!" There's been no comment from reps for Cyrus or the 41-year-old actor, who has a teenage daughter. (AP)

LOVE Ironclad Legal Agreement Has Nothing to Do With It

SIMON COWELL says he still loves doing "American Idol" and he'll be staying put as judge for at least another year. That's the time remaining on his contract. Cowell earlier had sparked speculation that he might be leaving the show. (AP)



He'll gladly not break his contract.





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